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As a Portland area resident for over forty years, I've come to love our forests, rivers, and wildlife. Which makes me deeply concerned when I see proposed solutions that don't appear to really solve a problem. Like the EPA's draft cleanup plan for the Portland Harbor Superfund Site. Relying on monitored natural recovery does not remove the problem with heavy metal contamination, only watches it and hopes that nature can fix it. This isn't a real solution. The polluters should be held responsible for the cost of actually cleaning up the mess. And the EPA should do its part to hold them responsible. The proposed plan does not do this.

The plan needs to address the problem more actively, with the following changes:

- Alternative G should be picked by the EPA to add additional dredging. And dredging should be expanded to include all areas that are heavily contaminated, uplands as well as river.
- All people should be able to eat our river fish safely, not just the healthiest. So the EPA should select an alternative that allows this.
- A confined disposal facility is not acceptable. We don't need toxic waste in the river in perpetuity. The EPA needs to eliminate this facility from the plan.

Thank you.

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